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21.	Tamil Nadu	4.731	941		
2 2 .	Tripura	168		816	86.71
23.	Uttar Pradesh		331	330	99.69
		37,631	25,882	20,751	80.17
24.	West Bengal	8,924	1,115	836	74.97
25.	A & N Island	2,143	1.994	2.046	102.61
26.	Dadra, Nagar & Haveli	141	262	,	
			202	262	100.00
	Total	41.2,758	48.8,678	23,7,497	48.59

Sugar

- 3521. SHRI MUKHTAR ANIS: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:
- (a) the estimated production, demand, export and import of sugar during the current sugar season (1996-97); and
- (b) the unit cost of production, unit import price CIF Bombay and estimated export price FOB Bombay of Sugar?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV):

(a) Firm estimates of sugar production during the current 1996-97 season are not available. However, with the carry over stock at the beginning of the seasons and the production during the current year, there would be sufficient availability to meet the internal requirement of about 138 lakh tonnes for the sugar season 1996-97. No import is evisaged during the current sugar season. In view of the comfortable availability position, efforts would be made to export as much sugar as possible.

(b) The average all-India ex-factory levy price based on the Statutory Minimum Price of Sugarcane for the 1995-96 season and conversion cost as recommended by BICP, works out to Rs.876.75 per quintal. Estimated export price, FOB Bombay will depend upon the prevailing world market condition at the time of making the sales.

Foreign Tours by Ministers

- 3522. SHRI ISWAR PRASANNA HAZARIKA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :
- (a) the names of Ministers and Ministers of State who have undertaken foreign tours during September, October and November, 1996;
- (b) the number of foreign trips undertaken by each of them together with names of countries visited, specific purposes of the visits and number of accompanying staff and the others travelling at the cost of the Government in each trip;

- (c) total cost incurred on each trip including the cost incurred on account of accompanying persons;
- (d) whether the trip was at the initiative of Minister or on invitation from countries visited, in each case;
- (e) the tangible results, if any, achieved from their visits to the respective countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Recruitment of disabled persons and women in Government service

- 3523. DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHERIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Union Government have issued or propose to issue special directives for the recruitment of disabled persons and women in the Central Government and other Public Sector Undertakings;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (c). Prime Minister has written on 20.9.96 to the Central Ministers and Chief Ministers of States and UTs to launch a vigorous drive to identify vacancies and recruit persons with disabilities including women so that the reservation no less than three percent as envisaged in the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opprotunities, Protection of Rights & Full Participation) Act, 1995 is achieved.

[English]

Standard Emission Norms

- 3524. SHRI SANDIPAN THORAT: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news appearing in the 'Financial Express'

dated November 12.1996 under the caption "Twowheeler makers to ride tough on new norms":

- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government to the observations made therein and facts of the matter.
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to evolve acceptable standard emission norms for the two wheeler makers; and
- (d) the present status regarding shift to four stroke technology by the two wheeler makers and investment proposed to meet the standard emission norms by the year 2000?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) and (c). Stricter emission norms for vehicles including 2-wheelers, which are at the manufacturing stage, have been evolved by a Technical Committee under the Central Pollution Control Board. These norms have been recommended to be notified under the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. The vehicle manufacturers have been asked to begin a serious programme of technological upgradation to meet the norms to be effective from 1.4.2000.
- (d) The automobile industry has to incorporate suitable changes in their technology and make necessary investment of their own to meet the norms by the effective date.

[Translation]

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Pollution in Sea Shore

3525. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the areas of sea along the Indian coast land where pollution is increasing and the locations where the level of pollution has been described as serious.
- (b) whether some foreign countries are dumping their polluted waste into the Indian sea and some of the Indian companies are co-operating them in this effort: and
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) The data collected at 77 locations since 1991 along the coastline of the country have in dicated that the sea off 1 km all along the coastline except off Mumbai is clean and conform to precribed quality of clean sea water. The coastal areas found to have low to moderate concentrations of pollutants and those where concentration of pollutants

may become high in near future are as under-

(i) Areas of low concentrations of pollutants are

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State	Area (S)
Gujarat	Proanbder, Bedr. Vadinar and Kandla
Maharashtra	Batnagiri
Goa	Mandovi and Zuari
Karnataka	Mangalore Port
Kerala	Cannanore and Calicut
Tamil Nadu	Cuddalore
West Bengal	West Bengal Coast.

(ii) Areas of moderate concentration of pollutants are:

Gujarat	Porbander narbour		
	Damnaganga estuary 8		
	Vapi Indsutrial Estate		
Maharashtra	Thane creek		
Karnataka	Mangalore coast		
Kerala	Cochi backwaters, Allepey Kayamkulam, Quilon Paravur & Veli		
Tamil Nadu	Tuticorin & Arumuganeri		
Orissa	Puri		

(iii) Areas where concentration of pollutants are likely to increase in near future:

•	Tapi estuary
Maharashtra	Versova creek, Mahim Bay and Thane creek
Taiml Nadu	Chennai Harbour & Ennore

Veravel Port, Hazira and

estuary

Andhra Pradesh Vishakapattanam Harobour & Kakinada

- (b) No. Sir. No such report have been received by this Ministry.
 - (c) does not arise.

Gujarat

[English]

De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Centres And Child Welfare Councils

3526. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether MBBS with managerial abilities is the required qualification for appointment as Medical Officer-cum-Project Director (full time basis) Medical Officer (part time basis) in the De-addiction-cumrehabilitation Centres and Child Welfare Councils run by the Ministry: